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Welcome to Term 4 Week 9

Kia ora,

Congratulations to Amanda on her new position at Ngatea College. Amanda came to us as a first year and has learnt a great deal about teaching and learning, so much so that she was offered the position at the Ngatea College. We all wish her all the best with the next stage in her teaching career.

Next year we welcome Lousie Robinson to St Joseph's. Louise is looking forward to joining our team and will be teaching with me in the Senior Room.

Reports:

All written reports are being sent home today. These reports are designed to give families an insight to the progress and achievement of their child/children.

Last Day of School:

School finishes this year on **Thursday 14th December at 12noon**. We were notified last week that buses on this day would not be running until the usual time of 3.00pm.

Enrolments:

If you are aware of anyone who may be wanting to contact us with regards to new enrolments please call me so we can make arrangements to meet. Please txt my mobile 027 02764275. I have copies of all the bus routes at school if there are any new farming families wishing to come to the school.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe New Year.

God Bless

Kristine Osburn



1st Day of School 2018: Wednesday 31st January.

Mark 1:1-8 "I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way . . . a voice of one calling in the desert, 'Prepare the way for the Lord'" Mark 1:2-3

Mission: Excellence in Education for all within a Catholic Environment.

End of year important dates:

Please make note in your calendar of our end of year functions:

Monday 11th December - Graduation evening 6.00pm

Tuesday 12th December - End of Year Mass 10am

Wednesday 13th December - Academic Prizegiving 12noon

Thursday 14th December - Last day of the school year 12.00 noon

Sport Uniforms:

Please could all sport uniforms be returned to our school as soon as possible. It is getting closer to the end of the year and we need them back.

*Libby, Harrison
(Sports Monitors.)*

Graduation Evening:

Our Year 8 students, their families and other invited guests will be celebrating the graduation of our Year 8 students from St Joseph's with a special evening of good food, stories and fun. Graduation will be on **Monday 11th December at 6pm**. Thank you Mrs Sayer for your organisation.

Carols for the Elderly:

On Wednesday last week Mr C took a group of students to Kenwyn home and the Community Hospital to sing Christmas carols to the elderly. The care takers were very generous, offering us food and drinks. All the people watching were a good audience. They were patient and welcoming. We left feeling good about ourselves and with treats. By Emily and Trinity.



Baptism:

Welcome to the family that is our Church! Congratulations to Lache, Majella, Vinsen and Vanessa who were baptised at Sunday Mass yesterday. Many blessings to them and their whanau. We also continue to pray for Alikia and Moana who will be baptised this coming weekend.

Academic Prizegiving:

Please note, Prizegiving will be in our Church on **Wednesday 13th December at 12noon**. This time better suits workers lunch hour.

End of Year Mass:

Tomorrow (Tuesday) is our End of Year Mass. Come and join us to celebrate the end of our school year with the Eucharist.

Term 4 Week 8:

Caia: Great attitude , super effort in maths

Austin: Hard work in maths

Penny: Great maths

Ivy: Awesome maths

Grayson: Super effort and determination in maths

Elizapeta: Star student

Kenshin: Playing nicely in the playground

Alikia: role model of the week

Maumi: Awesome skills at tee-ball

Rose: Learning 48 words as part of the early word programme

Nikita: Learning to count backwards from 30

Paea: Contributing to prayer with thoughtful and caring prayers

Brea: For your diligence in class



Calendars:

This Tuesday our Senior class will be out and about delivering calendars across Te Aroha. This PTA initiative is always well received in our wider community.

Are these items at your house?

Missing after our School Production last Term:

2 white bow ties

3 coloured bow ties ie patterned

1 white braces

1 small wire wig brush.

Stationery for 2018:

Thank you for the prompt reply from families who have chosen to order school stationery from our supplier, Office Max, for 2018. Payment for this is not due until the beginning of the school year. Stationery will be delivered to school ready for day one. Please note that stationery lists will also be sent home for families making alternative arrangements.

Term dates for 2018

Term 1 Wednesday 31st January to Friday 13th April

Term 2 Monday 30th April to Friday 6th July

Term 3 Monday 23rd July to Friday 28th September

Term 4 Monday 15th October to Friday 14th December



Mass Times for 16th/17th December

3rd Sunday of Advent

Saturday – 7pm Paeroa

Sunday – 9am Morrinsville

Sunday – 11am Te Aroha

Swim Zone Pool Party Te Aroha Pools

Wednesday 20th December

12pm to 2pm \$4.00 per child

Giveaways, games, pool toys,

Sausage Sizzle \$2.00

Swimzonepools.co.nz

Children under 8 must be supervised by a caregiver 16years or older



Classes have planned water activities this week. Please send your child to school with togs and towel tomorrow (Tuesday) for Rooms 1-4 and on Thursday for Years 7/8.



Free to a good home. 7 chairs and 1 book case. To be picked up asap, please contact office if required.

KAIMAI COLLEGIAL AREA CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Parishes of The Holy Family

CHRISTMAS EVE

24TH DECEMBER Paeroa 7.00PM Carols at 8.30pm
Morrinsville 10.00PM Carols at 9.30pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

25TH DECEMBER Te Aroha 10.00AM

Parish of the Living Water

CHRISTMAS EVE

24TH DECEMBER Whangamata 5.00PM
Katikati 8.00PM

CHRISTMAS DAY

25TH DECEMBER Waihi 12.00AM (Midnight)
Whangamata 9.00AM
Waihi Beach 9.00AM

Christmas is a season not
only of rejoicing but of
reflection.

Winston Churchill

BrainyQuote